

## BOOTLEGGERS TREATED ROUGH

Courts Find New Ways to  
Fine and Make the  
Penalty Stick

**PONCA CITY, Dec. 28.**—Construction has been thrown into the hands of the bootleggers throughout the country by the new policy of the federal courts in handling prohibition enforcement cases in the courts. Several men in northern Oklahoma have already experienced the results of such a policy, and they are told that the world that the future does not have an extremely roseate hue. In the past when bootleggers have appeared in the federal courts (and it has been their first offense), they have been let off on the payment of a comparatively small fine, with perhaps a few months behind the bars. But in addition to such a fine, another one is now being imposed by the revenue department. This is on a failure to take out a license for making spirituous liquors. It has happened here in Ponca City recently that a bootlegger was assessed a nominal fine in the federal court. In addition to this he was hit for \$2,400 for violating the revenue act. This fine remains on record. If he is not able to pay at the time it is assessed, and draws a percent interest until it is paid, and at any time he may accumulate an estate, the amount of the fine and interest is collectable. A resident of Newkirk, this county, recently went through a similar experience, expecting that his fine was \$3,000, and it is understood by the government that he has the money right now with which to pay. A well-to-do man of Garfield county convicted recently of bootlegging will have to pay \$7,000 to revenue officers. He is said to be worth \$10,000 and was caught redhanded—a complete still, mash and several gallons of corn "likker." There is another instance of \$9,000 being assessed recently against another citizen, and he has the money to pay. It seems to be the policy of the department to fine a man in comparison with his ability to pay. Not even the most hardhearted bootlegger, however, does not like to have a federal judgment hanging over him in case he ever accumulates some property, and as a result the ranks of the "leggers" are said to be thinning.

## MAY SEPARATE ALASKA

**Proposition of Establishing Centralized, Responsible Government to Be Taken Up by Committee.**  
**WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.**—A centralized, responsible government for Alaska, proposed in a bill introduced in the house by Representative Curry of California, will be considered by the house territories committee early in January, it was announced today. The centralization of authority will be lodged either in the secretary of the interior or given to an Alaska commission which shall have its headquarters in Alaska and the

members of which shall reside there. Secretary of the Interior Fall is to be heard by the committee for such suggestions as he shall have to make concerning needed reforms in the government of Alaska to insure its proper development. Other witnesses will be called by Chairman Curry. Curry has introduced a bill coordinating all departmental activities with respect to Alaska. It provides that control of the forest, public lands, mineral lands, fisheries and other natural resources shall be taken from the departments of agriculture and commerce or wherever now placed, and given to the secretary of interior. If the committee should deem it wiser to place them all under a special Alaskan development board such a change can be made readily.

## MADAME SUN IS SAFE

**Not Kidnaped; Escapes Bandits After Being Held for Days.**  
**SHANGHAI, Dec. 28.**—Madame Sun Yat Sen, wife of Mr. Sun, president of the South China Republic, regarding whose safety grave fears were entertained because of sensational reports of her kidnapping being current, arrived at the battle front and joined her husband. It was definitely established in advices received here today that Madame Sun, already beloved by the people, has made herself a heroine by her 20-day journey to the front with Red Cross supplies. The advice received here today told of a five-hour fight at Thoping by her picked bodyguard against bandits attempting to carry out the plan to kidnap her. The guards were finally victorious, beating off the would-be kidnappers.

Ovation such as never before were accorded a woman in China greeted Madame Sun enroute to the front, the dispatches received here today stated, and her arrival with Red Cross supplies proved a big stimulus to the morale of the army.

## HE WANTS JAZZ ACCEPTED

**It Will Be Taken Seriously, President of Musicians Declares.**  
**DETROIT, Dec. 28.**—Jazz must be taken seriously—because it is the genius of American musical expression. It has taken such a grip on the great mass of people that no one, not even a gifted musician, can afford to scoff at it. Its popularity must be natural. So believes Osbourne McCannathy, president of the Music Teachers' National association, which opened its forty-third annual convention here today.

"While in itself vulgar, sensual, elemental, even savage at times, jazz is the attempt at musical expression of the melting pot of America," said Mr. McCannathy. "Given time, it will develop into a form of natural composition that will vie with the great French and German ideals." Three hundred delegates from all parts of the United States are in attendance.

**Long-Felt Want.**  
Lunatic: "I've got a wonderful invention I want to patent." His keeper (kindly): "What is that?" "I've invented an explosive coin that will blow up the telephone box after the fifth wrong number."

## PHONE REVEALS FAMILY CRIME

Operator Completes Circuit, Hears Screams, Calls Police

**INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 28.**—Screams and shots, heard over the wire by a telephone operator, today led to instant police investigation into the slaying of her husband by Mrs. J. G. Simmons at their home here.

The operator, Miss Martha Connerling, was completing a long distance connection with Louisville, Ky., to notify Mrs. Simmons that her father was dying in that city. At the instant the circuit was completed, the operator heard the screams and shots and notified the police. Motor policemen immediately rushed to the Simmons home but the man was dead.

It was sometime later before neighbors were aware of the tragedy. Early investigation failed to reveal the motive for the shooting. Mrs. Simmons was arrested on a charge of murder. In her confession to the police she is reported to have declared Simmons, an overgrown war veteran, was attempting to attack her. The confessed slayer, who is only 21, was married to Simmons when she was 16.

Mrs. Simmons had just lifted the receiver of the telephone to call for help, she declared, at the instant the long distance wire was cut in and the operator heard her cries and the report of the revolver.

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## HARVEY BEFORE COUNCIL

**American Ambassador to Appear as a Spectator in Impending Meeting.**  
**CANNES, France, Dec. 28.**—George Harvey, American ambassador to England, is expected to arrive here Friday to spend the New Year's holiday before attending the interallied supreme council later in January. Ambassador Harvey will participate as an observer.

The chief topics for discussion are: 1. Germany's default of her January and February indemnity payments and the possibility of measures of reprisal or assistance. 2. Arrangements for a general economic conference to which Germany and Russia will be invited.

France wishes to apply severe pressure upon Germany for her failure to meet the indemnity installments. The British wish to give Germany assistance.

France has already given assurance of her willingness to meet Russian representatives for discussion of financial and commercial matters but on the condition that this does not imply French recognition of the soviet government at Moscow.

It is expected Russia will either ask for official recognition of the soviet government or propose a future international meeting when recognition will be discussed.

**Advice on Women.**  
Tommy—Pop, what is the difference between vision and sight? Tom's Pop—Well, my son, you can flatter a girl by calling her a vision, but never call her a sight.—Science and Invention.

## EX-COLLECTOR IN BAD

**Chicagoan, Former Internal Revenue Man, Again Arrested With Liquor and Money.**  
**CHICAGO, Dec. 28.**—Fresh trouble with the police in the lot today of Harry M. Mager, former collector of internal revenue for the Chicago district.

A week ago Mager was arrested on disorderly conduct charges preferred by Mrs. Lucile Hart, who charges he had created a disturbance in her flat. At that time a quantity of liquor was found in his possession and he had \$11,000 in his pockets.

Mager was again arrested last night in the hallway of Mrs. Hart's apartment. He had two quart bottles and a pint flask of liquor, the police declared. He still had the \$11,000. He was booked on a charge of disorderly conduct and released on bond.

## WOMAN TO HANG CRIMINAL

**Sheriff of Iowa County to Spring Trap of Scaffold for Earl Throst.**

**WATKIN, Iowa, Dec. 28.**—A woman's hand, it is expected, will spring the trap when Earl Throst, confessed slayer of pretty Inga Magnuson is hanged on March 2. Mrs. Gunda Magnuson, sheriff of Adams county, is required by law to conduct the execution.

"I have to spring the trap on Throst and I'll do my duty," Mrs. Magnuson said today. When Throst was captured after Miss Magnuson had been found slain in her lonely country schoolhouse, it was Mrs. Magnuson's strategy that prevented the slayer being lynched by an angry mob of farmers.

The woman sheriff captured the slayer after an exciting pursuit with bloodhounds.

**Destiny.**  
Pat Murphy was a great favorite in the works. Even the master would sometimes stop and crack a joke with him. One day the boss met Pat. "Morning Pat," he said. "I hear that lately you've taken quite a fancy for the girls." Pat blushed and shrugged. "Have you not met your fate yet?" asked the master. "Sure and begorrah, sir," exclaimed Pat sadly. "I met one of her father's fate last night!"

## ANOTHER FEUD STARTS

**Eye Witnesses to Bloody Battle in Pastures of Kentucky Relate How War Began at Dawn.**  
**LONDON, Ky., Dec. 28.**—Eye witnesses accounts of a bloody battle at Portersburg, Clay county, Monday night, in which three men were perhaps fatally wounded, reached here this morning.

The battle, said to have been staged at a Christmas celebration at the home of Thomas Martin, was participated in by members of the Benge and Martin-Philpot clans.

who are now at deadly feud, according to reports. Those arriving here said that further bloodshed was feared. Those dead are Hugh Hammonds, his son Samuel Hammonds, and George York. The wounded are Ed York and his nephew, Ring York. To extract milk from coconuts a Cuban has invented a punch resembling a hammer. Patronize home talent. Woman's Art Exchange, 29 West 4th; reasonable, sensible gifts.—Advertisement.

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